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# Health unit responds to government's lifting of restrictions

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

*The following are brief reports from a Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District health unit press conference held March 9 with medical officer of health Dr. Natalie Bocking.*

An acceleration of the lifting of public health measures was announced by the provincial government on March 9 prior to the HKPR briefing. Provincial mask mandates are scheduled to end on March 21, and COVID-19 safety plans for businesses and screening measures are coming to an end as well. By the end of April, the *Reopening Ontario Act* legislating mask mandates, capacity limits and proof of vaccinations will expire and no longer be in place.

Some of the requirements for isolation have been further loosened for individuals that are contacts of people with COVID-19.

Close contacts not living in the same house will not need to isolate but should self-monitor for symptoms. In the same household, those 18 and older who have received a booster dose or those under 18 with two doses of vaccine, won't need to isolate alongside their household

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## Have a howling good time

A sled dog howls just before going on a half-day tour with the Winterdance Dogsled Tours on Feb. 19. It's one of many opportunities for an experience for people who are off this March break in the Highlands. There is skiing and snowboarding at Sir Sam's Ski and Ride, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling, programming available through the Haliburton Highlands Museum and at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. See more photos of dogsledding on page 17. /DARREN LUM Staff

## Tory Hill EMS base moving toward permanent 24-hour staffing

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

*The following are brief reports of items discussed during a March 9 committee of the whole meeting and recommended to be approved by county council.*

Tory Hill EMS base could soon see 24-hour staffing, seven days a week, permanently, as recommended by Tim Waite, director of paramedic services.

While traditionally staffing at the base has been two paramedics working 12 hours per day, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., 365 days per year, staffing hours have incrementally been increased.

"Over the last four years we've been

adding additional shifts to maintain 24-hour coverage," Waite said.

Since fall 2020, 24-hour coverage, seven days a week has been maintained year-round in Tory Hill, through the use of Safe Restart funding. Currently it's been used to maintain 24-hour staffing from Jan. 1 until the May long weekend.

"Included in this year's budget is an

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# Requirements for isolation relaxed for close contacts

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member, the recommendation being to self-monitor for symptoms instead. Those unvaccinated would need to isolate for 10 days.

While PCR testing is still restricted, Bocking said the province has added more eligible groups including home and community care clients and some other specific settings.

"The majority of the population still will have to rely on rapid antigen testing if you're looking for a diagnosis of COVID-19 beyond using symptoms as your guide," Bocking said.

She said main messaging continues to ask that people to stay home if sick and assume that a positive rapid antigen test is a "true positive."

## Mask wearing still an option

Bocking said she would still encourage mask use in higher-risk settings for individuals with compromised immune systems or with vulnerable family members.

"There's lots of different reasons why people will continue to wear a mask and the most important thing in relation to that is we continue to treat people with respect and understand there are lots of different reasons why people will continue to wear masks," she said.

"We know that masks are an effective and easy way to slow transmission of COVID-19," Bocking said. "What is changing is the provincial requirements around indoor masking. It doesn't change the ability of businesses and employers to make decisions for work places that might be at higher risk for COVID-19 transmission to have in place policies that support masking, and it doesn't change an individuals ability to wear masks and to be aware of COVID-19 transmission in community and to continue to help protect those people that are most vulnerable."

Bocking said in the next couple of weeks the impact of loosening restrictions would be seen.

"Fingers crossed, COVID-19, Omicron will continue to diminish and we'll reach a point in time where we don't need masks further at all," Bocking said.

When asked how vulnerable members of the community can respond, Bocking said those who know they're at higher risk of becoming sick from COVID-19 will now be more aware that when they go to public places there is a greater possibility they will come into contact with somebody that unknowingly has the virus.

"It is tricky and it does place more of the onus on individuals to assess risk for themselves and risk or the impact on other people," Bocking said. "I would continue to recommend that people that are at higher risk of developing more severe infections from COVID-19 to continue to wear masks, and to continue to be cautious in attending those settings where you might have very closely packed, dense social crowds with lots of individuals that are not masked. I don't think it would be prudent at this time to start with those activities."

Bocking said it's important to be respectful of those wearing masks.

"When we see people that are wearing masks, we certainly can't assume they have a medical condition that requires them to wear a mask. It could be somebody that has a family member that has a medical condition. It could be somebody that doesn't have a medical condition, doesn't have any family members but is really trying to be very aware and respectful and cognizant of not wanting to get anybody else sick and trying to prevent transmission."

## On masking at schools

Bocking said she didn't foresee that there won't be any masks at schools, with some teachers and students requiring one and some families electing to continue wearing one.

"Lifting of the legislative requirement for masking, we know that some people won't wear masks and what that does, is it will increase the risk of transmission of COVID-19 and we just don't know to what extent that is. I think the numbers are low enough right now that hopefully we won't actually see a significant increase in COVID-19 transmission, and that's certainly the hope. Right now time will tell and the key is to be aware and to understand that this very easy, effective tool, we can continue to bring it out and use it as needed."

Children under five are still unvaccinated but Bocking said there are other layers of protection.

"In our region, close to 50 per cent of kids between five and 11 have been vaccinated or have at least received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine," Bocking said. "We also know that a fairly large number likely have had Omicron, COVID-19, and will have some naturally acquired immunity through there. There is overall a certain level of immunity in the population. We know there's other layered measures like ventilation, like hand-washing and assuring that if you're sick you're staying home that will also remain in place."

## Reporting deaths

Last Wednesday the province also announced changes to how they're reporting deaths related to COVID-19.

"They've gone back and are really looking to be very specific at including only those deaths where COVID-19 was the direct cause or a main contributing cause of death, and that might result in a change in numbers at a provincial level," Bocking said. "Locally, we have always attempted to only report those deaths that are as a direct result of COVID-19, the main cause or main contributing cause of death."

Bocking said sometimes those numbers will increase or decrease as more information comes in. All local cases are currently being reviewed to ensure they meet provincial criteria, but she does not anticipate a significant change.

"Often I've heard people say we should only be counting those deaths where COVID-19 was the exact cause of death, but we also know there are individuals that have other medical conditions that then contracted COVID-19 and became quite ill because of that, maybe largely because of their underlying condition, but really COVID-19 still contributed to any earlier death than might have otherwise been realized," she said. "I wonder if we are still underreporting the impact of COVID-19 on some of those deaths."

Bocking said the exercise in numbers was never perfect but they were hoping to communicate the "true burden" of what COVID-19 has been for communities.

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# Three bridges scheduled for rehabilitation

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additional \$110,400 to maintain 24-hour staffing in Tory Hill from Thanksgiving weekend until year end," read Waite's report to council. "In 2023, an additional \$200,500 will be required to be included in the budget to maintain 24-hour staffing from Jan. 1, 2023 to the May long weekend. The additional \$200,500 for 2023 will be offset by approximately \$55,000 from 50 per cent funding from the province in 2023 due to the additional \$110,400 increase for 2022. This will then have Tory Hill staffed 24 hours per day, 365 days per year, permanently."

## Dark Lake and York River Bridge projects

Two bridges in need of rehabilitation are to be added to the 2022 budget with an estimated construction cost of \$1,445,056, including HST.

McPherson-Andrews Contracting Ltd. is recommended by county staff to be awarded both projects. The Dark Lake Bridge rehabilitation includes concrete repairs, waterproof and paving, replacement of a barrier wall, expansion joints and guide rail. The York River Bridge rehabilitation includes a concrete deck overlay, concrete repairs, replacement of barrier wall, expansion joints and guide rail. While in progress, both projects will allow for one lane of traffic to be maintained.

Dark Lake Bridge on County Road 648 will be repaired at an estimated cost of \$711,560 and the York River Bridge on County Road 10 will undergo work at a cost of \$733,495. Inspection and contract administration fees for DM Wills – the county's design consultant for this project – will cost an additional \$45,853 for the Dark Lake Bridge project, and \$43,544 for the York River Bridge project.

Both projects are expected to cost less than what was budgeted, the Dark Lake Bridge project being approximately 20 per cent under the approved 2022 budget costs, and the York River project coming in at 10 per cent under the approved budget.

## Drag River Bridge rehabilitation

A contract for the rehabilitation of Drag River Bridge is recommended to be awarded to UrbanLink Civil Ltd. at a cost of \$1,613,881 including HST. Seven bids were received for the project, ranging in price from about \$1.6 million to \$2.3 million.

The Drag River Bridge, on County Road 1, is a high-priority project identified in the 2020 biennial structure inspection report and recommended to be rehabilitated this year.

The rehabilitation includes a concrete deck overlay, concrete repairs, waterproof and paving, replacement of a barrier wall, expansion joints and guide rail. During construction, traffic will be reduced to one lane using temporary traffic signals.

"We did revise our scope from last November when budget came through, so we were able to remove some items," said Robert Sutton, director of public works. "It's less under budget than it appears because we did reduce the scope."

The inspection and contract administration fees for Planmac are estimated to cost \$51,042, bringing the project to \$1,664,923, approximately 33 per cent under the 2022 approved budget.

Sutton said the project would take "the whole season," being Haliburton County's longest bridge at roughly 50 metres long, which makes it as long as the Dark Lake and York River bridges put together.

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# Finding perspective in art at Rails End Gallery

DARREN LUM

Editor

Pointing to an encased wood, with glass top case, sitting on a wooden table over what looks like the beginning of a bonfire, comprising of twigs and kindling, Rails End Gallery curator Laurie Jones lists off the details to artist David Douglas' Flipping the Bird mixed-media installation at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton.

Flipping the Bird is one of 63 entries created by members of the gallery to this year's POV (Point of View) show, the Rails End Gallery's Annual Salon Exhibition.

In the case is a Canada Goose water-colour, graphite rendering, with a bow around the neck and a set of wings, appearing as if it they sending bird upwards has been a source of interest and intrigue for Jones and for visitors. Jones said the image possesses traits that makes one think is an animal that is "manipulated" or "tamed."

"I've had one lady come in and she said, 'I love this show. But I have to say that piece is just icing on the cake,'" she said.

The image also conjures references to Canada's colonial past and the collection of wood is constructed in reverse, with leaves on the top, then the sticks, man made sticks and the milled wood, Jones added.

From Douglas' artist statement: "For this year's 2022 POV theme I reworked, resized, rethemed, flipped and retitled a new work. Even put a bow on it. Perhaps a more informed POV might be in the wind? Flags flying at half mast? Graves? Which way is up? A nation upside down? Only now being recognized! Entirely self confirming for me as I've known most of my life the myth of it all. To put a bow on it, perhaps time is our ally for a more truthful point of view."

The show has a collection of diverse range of media, whether it's paintings in acrylic and oil, photography, or textile. Other notable works include *County Life* and *Echo* contributors Janet Trull, with *Spreading My Wings*, an acrylic painting on wood, and Deborah J. Reed, with the acrylic painting on barn board, *WHICH CAME FIRST?* The gallery's curator Jones has an acrylic painting on canvas called *Night Lights*. It continues until April 2.

From the gallery's website: "There are a myriad ways to interpret POV; a visual angle or style, a subjective opinion, a perspective, a narrative style... and yes, we do mean to attract as many points of view as there are entries! For that reason each Artist is invited to include a brief bit of text with their entry."

Jones said this year's exhibition with the theme of Point of View is in keeping with the times we are living in, with life during the pandemic. She said there was genuine interest among the POV participants to complete their artist's statement. It's unusual when compared to others years. The statements included a level of depth and a collection of comprehensive details not submitted in the past, Jones said.

There is an overall atmosphere of optimism, Jones said, with the gallery and its members to start the year with this show, particularly with the theme of personal perspective. There was a genuine feeling of of yeah, we're doing something again, Jones said.

"Also, that there were enough mem-



Rails End Gallery curator Laurie Jones shows *Flipping the Bird*, which is one of 63 entries at the POV (Point of View) show, the Rails End Gallery's Annual Salon Exhibition. The exhibition at 23 York Street is open Wednesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 11 to 4 p.m. Cash donations are welcomed. /DARREN LUM Staff

bers who wanted to respond to the theme and liked the theme and got to work when we announced it in the fall," she said.

The gallery's last exhibition was *Local Colour* by Minden painter John Lenard.

Jones said the show has reminded her of the importance to have an open mind.

"And I think we really do have to be accepting of all points of view and recognize that there are so many. And, so that's why the POV(point of view) was the theme of the show," she said. "I don't think there have been too many political entries, statement entries, but there were certainly ones that took it quite literally like viewpoint, outlooks, favourite places – a lot of favourite places. Quirky things like the little girl looking at a giant bear, and then you realize, because there's a bit of a trick in this one painting: she's looking through a glass. At first you don't see the glass. You don't see the wall between them," she said.

Last year, the gallery held its member's exhibition, but there were limited hours for visitors, and members could book a time for them self and a guest for 30 minutes. This year the booking option returns, and operating hours have expanded, allowing more people from the public to see the members' show.

Visitors are encouraged to vote for The People's Choice piece.

The exhibition at the gallery located at 23 York Street is open Wednesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 11 to 4 p.m. Cash donations are welcomed. For more information about the show and current COVID-19 protocols see website (railsendgallery.com/exhibitions).



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# Highlands East votes against Centre Lake east-side lot creation

CHRIS DROST

Staff Reporter

The Municipality of Highlands East voted to not support the lot creation for the subdivision and plan of a condominium on the east side of Centre Lake at a recent meeting, which is contrary to the County of Haliburton, who declared this plan complete and has scheduled a public meeting on April 27. Previously, Highlands East council undertook a public consultation initiative with respect to the proposed disposition of the 200' Crown Reserve on Centre Lake and as a result of that consultation advised the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry through resolution that council did not support the disposition of the 200' Reserve to facilitate the creation of shoreline lots.

"In the absence of ownership to the water's edge, together with the issue that the unopened road allowance is needed to access this property, I don't see how council is in a position to approve it going forward at the upcoming public meeting," planner Chris Jones said.

There was an opportunity for comments or questions, but none of the members took that opportunity. Council proceeded to accept the resolution to not approve the creation of lots on the east side of Centre Lake where they do not abut the shoreline. Mayor Dave Burton called for a recorded vote. Only Deputy Mayor Cec Ryall voted against the resolution.

## Municipal integrity commissioner presents annual report

Harold Elston, the integrity commissioner for Highlands East, provided his annual report to council and gave an education-focused presentation, The Structure and Principles of Effective Municipal Government, which clarified the rules governing, which included pecuniary interest and conflict of interest. Code of conduct, roles and responsibilities, and the rules around use of social media were also included in the presentation. Elston's annual report showed that there were no reports of code of conduct issues or requests for advice since his last report.

## Council receives draft Climate Adaptation Plan

Highlands East council received the Draft Climate Adaptation Plan presented at the March 8 meeting by climate change coordinator for the County of Haliburton, Korey McKay.

McKay said this Adaptation Plan is the second of a three-phase planning process. Council previously accepted the Corporate Mitigation Plan in the fall of 2020. The Community Plan will be the final part of the process.

McKay explained that the Climate Adaptation Plan is the first step for understanding climate related risks that impact the municipality's operation and services and provides steps to bring resiliency across municipal operations, assets and infrastructure.

With climate projections anticipating increasing average temperatures, when there will be more days with 30-plus Cel-

sus degree days, temperatures, less snow, more cold weather and an increase in average precipitation, McKay said risk is equal to likelihood multiplied by consequences.

There are four main goals for the Adaptation Plan: The first is to ensure current and future infrastructure is adapted to withstand the impacts of a changing climate. The second is to protect municipal natural assets and enhance nature-based solutions. The third is to minimize health risks to outdoor staff and provide resources to the community to improve their capacity to adapt and the final goal is to integrate climate adaptation into municipal plans and processes. McKay highlighted 28 actions for achieving these goals.

During the implementation and monitoring of the plan, McKay explained that priority will be given to actions that integrate with existing work plans and require modest operational changes. Comprehensive implementation plans for projects will include more resources and staff time. There will also be annual progress reports and a five-year review of the plan.

Council received the delegation and draft plan without comment. The plan will go back to the County of Haliburton.

## Construction values year-to-date are up

CAO/treasurer Shannon Hunter, reported on behalf of an absent Laurie Devolin, CBO and by-law enforcement officer, who was away at training, construction values to-date are \$2,258,800 compared to \$1,821,660 for the same period in 2021. Devolin had asked Hunter to advise council that there are currently many other applications not processed.

Deputy Mayor Cec Ryall noted that the number of applications to-date is actually lower than at this time last year but the construction values are much higher. He asked if that is because people are building much larger homes. Hunter explained that this is the case.

## By-law department challenged with tracking

Highlands East's by-law enforcement officer Wayne Galloway said one of the biggest challenges for the department at the moment is keeping track of all the properties as people are flipping them so fast.

"Some things go back as far as 2018. Is there anything we can do to close them off?" asked Deputy Mayor Ryall. Galloway said many of the older cases are with the courts and they take time to complete.

## Fire Department expands ice water training

Highlands East will soon be in a position to deliver their own ice water training, reported fire chief Chris Baughman. On Feb. 26 and 27 four more individuals received ice water training. Four others shadowed them in the instruction, so that they will be prepared to deliver the program in the future.

"Did you say we are in a position to train our own people," asked Mayor Burton. Baughman said he hopes they will after the April exam.

"Will we need additional equipment," inquired Deputy Mayor Ryall. Baughman said the Paudash Lake Association has fundraised for equipment and they will have enough, including another complete set of equipment and five outfits for firefighters.

## No tenders received yet

Property supervisor Jim Alden reported to council that there haven't been any tenders received for the Cardiff change room project after issuing a call on Feb. 10. The tendering process is planned to close on March 11.

## Burton credits public works for efforts

During operation supervisor Brett Charboneau's report to council, Mayor Burton expressed his gratitude for the work carried out by public work's staff during the recent ice storm.

"I would ask you to pass along to the operators from mayor and council that we are extremely pleased with the way they brought us through the ice storm and kept us safe," he said.

Charboneau said, "It has been a busy month with the snow and keeping facilities that are now open clean."

It appears that they still have enough sand for the remainder of the winter, with part of one dome and one full small dome of sand left. Charboneau reported that there were no incidents during the bad weather from the previous week, because of "the operators and good equipment."

## HE moves ahead with Household Hazardous Waste agreement

There will be plenty of opportunities for Highlands' residents to discard household hazardous waste this year now that all four municipalities in Haliburton County (Highlands East, Dysart et al, Minden Hills, and Algonquin Highlands) will accept waste from any of these municipalities on the Household Hazardous Waste Days, totalling 14 days throughout the county.

"It is awesome we are doing this. For public awareness will we post the days at the transfer stations and landfills?" asked Deputy Mayor Ryall. Charboneau said they can post notice in these locations and there will also be notices in local newspapers.

"Has the Township of Faraday been advised," asked Mayor Burton. Hunter explained that HE still has the relationship with Faraday for HHW days so they will be doing both. "There will be specific days with Faraday that are separate from the days with the other four municipalities," she said.

## Council approves use of reserve funds

Economic development coordinator Joanne Vanier's request to council for \$1,000 from reserves was approved by council to hire a graphic designer to develop graphics for a composting education campaign this year. Vanier explained that copyright issues for current graphics mean that they need to create their own going forward.

## Council appoints delegation of authority

Hunter explained the situations in which a "lame duck" period can occur during the last year of a council's mandate. If during nominations there are not four existing council members planning to come back, or 75 per cent, the council may be in a lame duck position. According to the *Ontario Municipal Act*, council is required to appoint a delegation of authority to the CAO in case this happens. Council received the report and approved the delegation of authority to CAO Shannon Hunter.

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# Dysart et al asked for help in making history and heritage a priority

CHRIS DROST

Staff Reporter

Charles and Laurie Wheeler want to get the Municipality of Dysart et al council excited about history and the importance of preserving it.

The authors of a new book, featuring the history of the Drag Lake community presented their literary effort, which aims to preserve local history during a delegation to council on Feb. 22.

Their book is not being developed as a commercial enterprise, but instead, to help us "better understand the past so we can better understand the way forward," Charles said.

The effort began with documenting the memories of Depot Bay, as Laurie started coming to Drag Lake Lodge 62 years ago. They found a lot of information, but for all the books written about Haliburton County and Dysart et al, none were focused on Drag Lake.

"We believe that investing in physical assets has to be balanced with investment in history and heritage," explained Charles. He continued by proposing a number of ways that Dysart et al could invest in the Halibur-

ton Highlands Museum.

The first step would be to create a digital inventory of paper, audio and photographs, perhaps using a summer student to carry out much of the work. Secondly, a lot of the materials they discovered are in boxes. They could be better organized, shelved and inventoried. Charles says that this would also save staff time in looking for things.

Additionally, the Wheelers proposed re-establishing the highway signage on Highway 118 directing people to the Haliburton Highlands Museum and to increase awareness of heritage and history.

It was also suggested that a formal online program, and presence be established to encourage donations of historical photos, documents, etc., to enhance the museum's collection.

Finally, the Wheelers recommended establishing a robust/visible digital donation platform for encouraging older residents to consider making a donation to the museum as part of their estate.

There were two specific requests made during the presentation to council. One was to authorize staff to supply mapping layers to the Wheeler's GIS specialist who will create what they described as "original and cool" maps based on their extensive research. The other

was to assist in accessing historical documents stored at a local survey company. There are privacy and freedom of information issues and they could use the assistance of council to obtain this access.

"We would need a special sub-committee meeting with Charles and Laurie [Wheeler] and museum staff," responded Mayor Andrea Roberts.

"It might be good to get our cultural committee involved to start those discussions," Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy said. Councillor Walt McKechnie thanked the Wheelers "for reminding us about our past and for great ideas about a great museum."

CAO Tamara Wilbee noted that the museum is currently working on getting donation payments online and using Square payment service for purchase payments at the museum.

Charles shared the importance of digitization because without it historical records could all be lost due to a fire.

The plan is to have the book published towards the end of March or early April. Charles says that they are happy to have received permission to use some of Ethel Curry's artwork that features Drag Lake for the cover of the book.



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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

## Wearing a mask is not political

**W**HEN IT comes to mask wearing, I may continue to do it, particularly for indoor settings with lots of people around me. It's not to make a political statement nor is it to make others feel guilty. And, yes, I've been vaccinated – boosted in fact. I don't feel anxious about contracting COVID-19. It's for loved ones and for the most vulnerable.

Contrary to what some may say or do when they see me, I know I'm helping to protect my 86-year-old father, who has been challenged with a respiratory issue, which dates back years before the pandemic. Why would I put him at even more risk? I also do it for my mother, who is in a long-term care facility and doesn't understand why she has to wear a mask. I also do it for anyone who is immunocompromised. Have I slipped up here and there with my protocols? Sure, I have. I make mistakes.

I acknowledge masks are only part of a measure to reduce the transmission of COVID-19, so there is still an element of transmission risk. However, with mask mandates for most settings in Ontario ending on March 21, which includes many public buildings in Municipality of Highlands East and in the Municipality of Dysart et al (except for the Dymo bus), the debate among people in the Highlands has been about whether to voluntarily wear a mask or not. There is uncertainty because of a concern with how others may perceive this act. Heck, I had a few people, openly laugh after seeing me in a grocery store in Haliburton – this was with mask mandates in place months ago. For all the talk of freedom, why is it such a big deal to some that I, or anyone, who chooses to wear a mask. If you asked me two years ago about how I wouldn't get sick, I would have told you were crazy. But I've not had a cold or flu since the start of the pandemic, which, anecdotally, is something I keep hearing from people.

Just because the provincial govern-

ment and many people (me included) are ready to move on from the pandemic, that doesn't mean the COVID-19 virus is done with us.

During the provincial government's announcement to lift mask mandates last month, the chief medical officer of health Dr. Kieran Moore acknowledged masking requirements may return if there is a spike in COVID-19 cases. He added he hopes those who are vulnerable will continue to wear masks.

As of March 14, the province was ending mandatory vaccinate-or-test policies for workers in schools, child-care settings, hospitals and long-term care facilities. However, individual organizations can keep their own requirements and continue their strict vaccine mandates, as reported by the CBC.

Although it's been recognized that overall data is not clear pertaining to the exact effectiveness of mask wearing to prevent transmission, because there is a lack of population level studies and how capacity limits were introduced at the same time as mask mandates, there is indication it helps. Last month, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a report ([www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/wr/mm7106e1.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/wr/mm7106e1.htm)) on the effectiveness of face mask or respirator wearing to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 for indoor setting. It revealed that those who wore a respirator, or KN95/N95 mask, lowered odds of transmission by 83 per cent, followed by a surgical mask at 66 per cent and a cloth mask with 56 per cent when compared to not wearing any face coverings.

Masks are part of a public health measure, which is for the consideration for others. When's the last time you saw a doctor, nurse, or even a dental hygienist perform a procedure without a mask on? Nobody ever thinks to ask them why they're stupid or question their political stance because they're wearing a mask. So, why should we start now?



darren lum

# Editorial



Contrast of textures

by Darren Lum

## Peace

This is how I start my daily meditation practice these days. I take a few moments to really arrive and settle onto my cushion or chair. I just sit quietly and sense the space around me. I feel the air on my skin, my clothing on my skin. I sense my skin suit that I was born in. I am aware that the skin is the largest organ in the body and I just sense the aliveness in it. I relax and soften my eyes and my ears. I relax my jaw and tongue. I let my shoulders fall away from my ears and I open my heart with lots of kindness, to hold whatever arises in the meditation. I scan my body and try to relax as much as possible, with a sense of alertness. I imagine myself bright on the inside, relaxed on the outside. I tune into my breath and feel my body breathing. Sometimes I say "peace in" as I inhale, and "peace out" as I exhale. Or "breathing in I am calm, breathing out I am at ease." I feel my whole living, breathing, biological, ecological system breathing, and I am grateful I can breathe.

And then I dive even deeper into myself and I go right to the centre of my being. I find the quiet still spot that is at the very core of who I am. Sometimes I think of it as the presence of love, of peace, of calm that is in me. I remember that it is always waiting for me to return. The yogi's

would say that this deep, calm, quiet centre is our "essence" or our "soul." It exists in the present moment and never changes. Even as we age and our outer body changes, this inner dimension or inner universe is always the same. When I can remember to connect with place of quiet, of love, of ease it helps me settle and it takes me below my mind that is full of stories about COVID, the Ukraine, the challenges of my daily life, etc. It is as if I connect with this deep quiet space and remember it is the core of who I am and it can inform my mind

and my body about how I want to be in the world. It is a practice of letting love, or peace, or easing the guidance of my life. And once I connect with this space and hang out in it for a while, often the solutions to my challenges will present themselves. Or not.

Sometimes I just need to sit in the still point and just be for a while. These days I find myself envisioning peace and ease for

all in the Ukraine and Russia, and all other wars. My intention is to connect with the peace within myself and then extend that peace to the people in my house, in my community, in our county and in the world. Every single person makes a difference. We can each make our psychic vote for peace. And it will make a difference.

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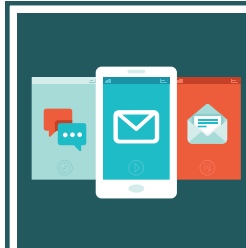
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# points of view

## A little farm talk

**L**AST WEEK, Jenn fed me some radish and alfalfa sprouts and I will admit that I really liked them. Perhaps a bit too much.

"Where did you get these?" I asked.

"I grew them," she replied.

"At this time of year?" I said.

That's when she took me to her sprout farm.

OK, farm might be too strong of a word. What she actually showed me was a Mason jar that had a special sprout lid – so let's call it a hobby farm. And that jar was filled with sprouts seeds that she had just soaked.

"Those delicious sprouts grew in that jar?" I asked.

"Yes," she said. "In five days."

"That's it. We're getting into farming!" I announced.

"Huh?" she replied.

"Look," I said. "I have always liked the idea of farming, but I never could wrap my mind around the hard work associated with it. Or the dirty hands. Or the waking up at the crack of dawn to curse at a rooster part ..."

"Nobody wakes up to curse at roosters," Jenn said.

"Uh sure," I replied. "Regardless, sprout farming seems like a viable way to ease into the agricultural industry ..."

It made perfect sense. Sprout farming is the only kind of farming where you don't have to pray for rain, fix machinery, shovel manure, put hay in the barn or own hundreds of fertile acres.

All you need is a few jars, seeds, access to water, and a tractor.

"You realize that the yield is about four cups every five days,"

she said. "Did you say tractor?"

"Yes. That's 292 cups a year," I said. "And if we expand production to five jars, that's 1,460 cups a year. We'll definitely need a tractor.""

"No," she said.

"All right, then we might need a farm hand or two to make that happen," I said. "But the good news is the roadside stand doesn't have to be much bigger than a shoebox ..."

"Roadside stand? Farm hands? Steve, did the sprouts you just ate taste a little off?" she asked.

"No," I said. "Why do you ask?"

I then scratched out a list of all the things we would need to ramp up sprout production on the farm.

"Five sprout growing jars, a straw hat, denim overalls, high rubber boots, a miniature pitchfork, or alternately, a dessert fork, and five tiny scarecrows to keep away the fruit flies," Jenn read aloud.

Yes," I said.

"Are you 100 per cent certain those sprouts didn't taste off?" she asked.

"Of course not," I said. "I envision it being a cash crop operation."

Suddenly, my mind began entertaining dreams of standing around with other farmers at agricultural fairs, discussing yields, the weather forecast, the best rubber boots, and the more interesting stories in this year's Farmer's Almanac.

Of course, I had no illusions. I knew that sprout farming was going to mean long hours of waiting nervously and hoping that crop failure did not occur. And I knew I'd have to make up folksy sprout farming sayings like, "Thumb tack high by July." And bumper stickers like, "If you ate a minimal amount of vegetables today, thank a sprout farmer."

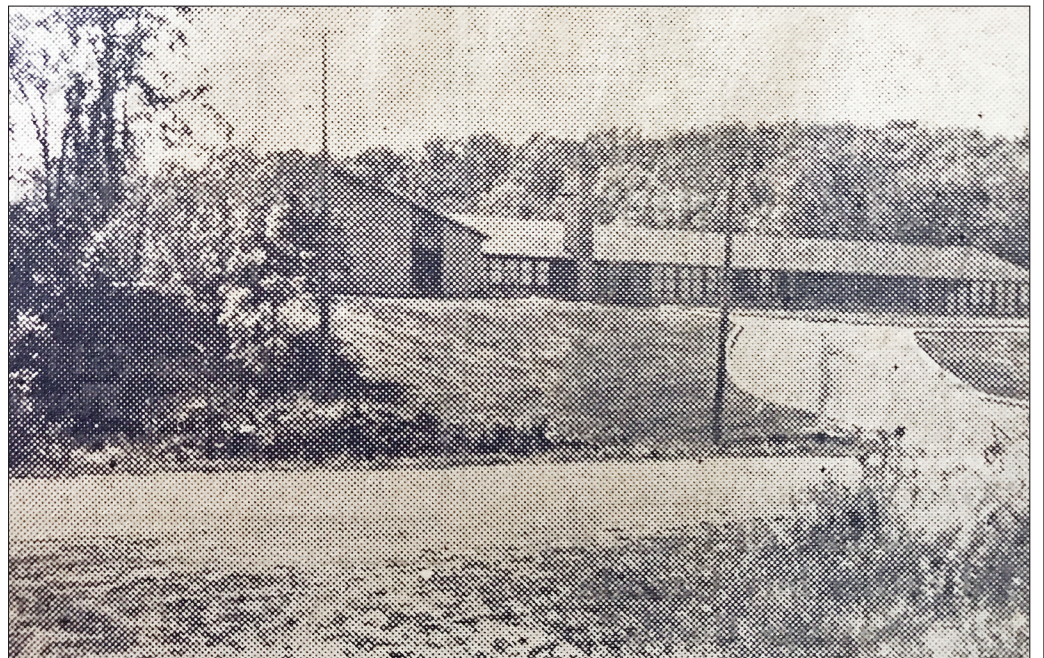
In the end, however, I knew it would be something we could be proud of.

Heck, call me a dreamer but I can see a day when our "sproutput" would probably be enough to feed a small nation.



steve  
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Loon Tales



## pic of the past

**F**rom *The Haliburton County Echo* archives, published Thursday, August 11, 1960. The cutline reads, "Work is now under way on the four room addition to the Haliburton County District High School. The new school, built not long ago, finds it is just too small to accommodate the large number of students attending at the present time. The contractors are working six days a week to complete the new addition."

## "Wonderful hidden benefits" of Airbnbs

To the Editor,

Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts has hit the nail on the head. We really need to make sure to capture all the wonderful hidden benefits of Airbnbs. For instance, look at the landfill space being saved when renters dump their garbage by the side of the road when their stay is finished.

And that's good, because our spendthrift municipal governments won't have commercial tax revenue from regulated accommodation businesses to throw at wasteful projects like roads and bridges much longer thanks to these "innovative" new businesses that pay the same residential (not business) taxes as you and I! And gosh, so much better to not have to deal with all that pesky licensing and inspection nonsense, not to mention having more waterfront lands to throw developers' way once those old school lodging businesses go under. Brilliant!

And look at how residents and cottagers benefit too! Up with the birds on those beautiful summer mornings because the all-night party next door made it impossible to sleep. No rushing to get to

town because the road is blocked once again by the renter's car that has slid off the road after they blithely drove past the "4-wheel drive only" sign in their Honda Civic in January. A chance to feel good about protecting the environment by picking up that garbage left behind, because, hey, sure the "host" left landfill tags, but the landfill is "out of the way."

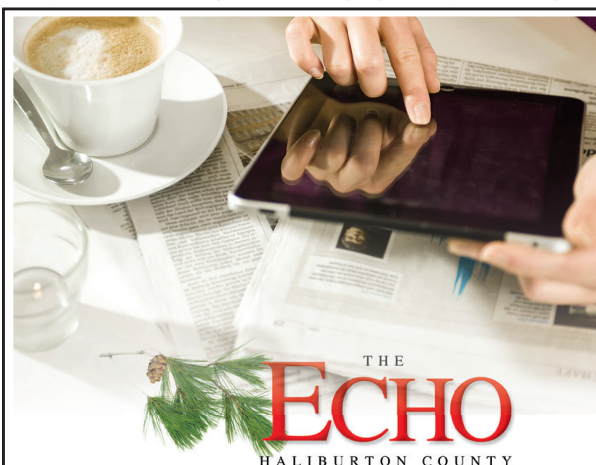
Of course, getting to meet new people who swear at you, threaten you, or tell you they'll party their lungs out, if they like, is always an interesting learning experience from which we can all gain so much.

I look forward to Mayor Robert's further insights on how having highly disruptive, unregulated businesses operating in residential neighbourhoods is a boon for the county.

Brad Cundiff,  
Minden

*This letter references the Haliburton County council virtual meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 23.*

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# Katie's Run ends, but efforts continue

Organizers are thankful for all the support the event received after 10 years

DARREN LUM

Editor

This year would have been the 10th installment of Katie's Run for Epilepsy Research.

However, the organizers have decided to cancel the popular summer fundraising event to raise awareness and money for epilepsy, named after Katie Woudstra.

Diagnosed at 16 with epilepsy in 2012, the Haliburton raised girl was the inspiration for the start of the long-standing event, which started later that year.

It has raised close to \$400,000 for epilepsy research and there is hope to top off donations before the end of the month.

From the Katie's Run website, it stated "after much consideration and with great sadness, the Woudstra and Pogue families have decided that Katie's Run will come to an end. There are many reasons for this decision including the uncertainty of the pandemic, Katie's ongoing health challenges, and the Woudstra family's upcoming move to Nova Scotia. It was our hope to gather one more time, united in the cause, but that is not to be."

From Halifax, Woudstra told the *Echo* she hopes past participants remember the event for how it brought people together.

"I hope that they remember that they had fun, and that they learned about epilepsy, if they didn't know things about epilepsy before," she said.

Katie acknowledged how the event was often a bitter sweet day, filled with joy to be with the people she had met and got to know, but sadness for the epilepsy being



Local fitness trainer Lori Kah leads a group of participants in a warmup at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton before the Katie's Run for Epilepsy back in 2016. Inspired by Katie Woudstra, who was diagnosed with epilepsy as a teen in 2012, the event helped to raise close to \$400,000 in 10 years. The organizers of the event announced 2022 would be the end and they will not have another event. Woudstra said she always loved to see the smiles on the faces of participants, particularly when they gathered for the warmup before the run. Despite the end of the event, there is still time to donate to Katie's Run at [www.katiesrun.ca/donation.htm](http://www.katiesrun.ca/donation.htm). /FILE

at the root of the cause for the event. She said what stood out to her was seeing the smiles and laughter on the faces of participants, who were going through the warmup exercises and movements before

running.

She points out her name and her story was front and centre for the event, but it was really about the stories that people shared with her, which were shared with

others that will always be central to the effort.

"It was never supposed to be about just my story. It was the years that we were

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# Power of the people

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sharing other people’s stories, and I hope ... it was really a meaningful thing for them and their families, and a fun day. A really fun day or them too,” she said.

The event is no longer going to be held anymore, but the effort to raise awareness and money isn’t over for Katie. She and her mother Geri will still be connected to the epilepsy community. This week she and her mother are going to attend and lend their support to The Purple Day Gala, which is a fundraising event that supports the Epilepsy Association of The Maritimes.

Katie and her mother are thankful for the all the support Haliburton’s event has received during the years.

Her mother Geri Woudstra said in an email, “The highlights have been the generosity of our local sponsors and media, our incredible volunteers, and the community of support and networking built through the event and participants. Meeting other families that have been impacted by the realities of epilepsy was both heartbreaking and inspiring. I will always remember how incredible it was to see what could be accomplished when people rally to support a cause! (\$400,000 raised so far!).”

As far as the future for fundraising or events, Katie didn’t rule anything out.

“You never know what could be out this way too. So, our goal was to always try to make it something [across], Canada, but who knows?” she said.

Although the event is ending, there is still time to donate money before the chapter closes by March 31. See [www.katiesrun.ca/donation.htm](http://www.katiesrun.ca/donation.htm) for more information.

# Thank you Family Health Team, partners

*The following is a monthly column for rotation of residents from Highlands East*

Recently I have had two personal phone calls from Wilberforce residents praising the care they received from our Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team (HHFHT).

They are truly a remarkable team consisting of team members and partners such as hospital doctors and staff, Haliburton County Paramedic Services, the volunteer firefighters, pharmacists, nurse practitioners and opticians to name a few.

Together they serve all of Haliburton County expertly, caringly and with the utmost consideration for everyone.

For me the story began 27 years ago when I moved to Wilberforce. My real estate agent was recovering from cancer. I asked her about the medical care here and that is when she told me of her situation and how wonderful the care was in our area. She put my mind at ease.

Since then I have been privy to many stories from local residents and throughout the county who have the highest regard for the Family Health Team.

A neighbour who had purchased the property next to mine was clearing his property and was attacked by bees. He arrived on my doorstep with welts all over his body and his eyes reddened. I took him directly to the pharmacy for help, believing he was in need of an EpiPen. His tongue was swelling up. 9-1-1 was called and the paramedics arrived within minutes and started him on an IV drip. They took him to the hospital where they followed up with treatment, and he had a good outcome.

More recently a friend called me to tell me she had gone to see a local optometrist when it was detected that she had a stroke behind her eye. She was diagnosed and sent on to Lindsay for immediate attention.

Another friend had a procedure done and the next day his blood pressure dropped drastically. He could not move. The 9-1-1 call brought the emergency medical service attendants within five minutes. He was sent immediately to Lindsay for life saving treatment.

A quick and accurate diagnosis combined with interaction between members of our amazing Family Health Team saved yet another life in Wilberforce.

With ongoing training sessions in all aspects of health care and people caring about people, lives have been saved in Highlands East and throughout the county.

A GoFundMe was started by a Wilberforce volunteer firefighter to initiate a water rescue program as we had lost two men in Dark Lake in two years.

We also need to recognize our municipal politicians whom we have to thank for our wonderful Haliburton and Minden hospitals, as well as the state-of-the art long term care facilities that are attached to them.

Extendicare is planning a new location in the near future and are to be commended for the care they have given to local residents.

Peterborough Regional Health Centre and Ross Memorial in Lindsay are great facilities, which we have been directed to for further treatment. Helicopter pilots are to be commended for the work they do getting patients to their destination quickly and safely. The staff at both hospitals are excellent, which I have had the personal experience.

Given the situation of the past two years dealing with COVID-19, which includes the ongoing health issues of our aging population, we need to applaud all our front line workers. Their mental health, given what they see on a regular basis, is also very important, and I know that there are programs in place to help them when there is a need.

From all of Wilberforce and our Municipality of Highlands East, thank you for all you do for us. You are the best!

*Submitted by Jan Simon*



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Haliburton County Huskies forward Oliver Tarr attempts to bodycheck a North York Rangers player during Ontario Junior Hockey League action on Tuesday, March 8 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. The Huskies needed double-overtime to beat the Rangers 3-2. / DARREN LUM Staff



## Huskies deliver overtime thriller win against the Rangers, demolish the Muskies

ALEX GALLACHER

*Special to the Echo*

The Haliburton County Huskies were riding high after picking up a huge road win against the St. Michael's Buzzers on March 4. They used that momentum to build what currently stands as a four-game win streak, downing North York and Lindsay at home and Trenton on the road.

A beautiful overtime goal by Simon Rose was all the Huskies needed to seal the deal on Tuesday, March 8, and an offensive explosion helped the Huskies steamroll the Lindsay Muskies in the biggest win in franchise history.

On Tuesday, the North York Rangers came to town. Despite the team leading the Eastern conference at one point this season, the Huskies has held the series lead at 2-1. With the league's most fearsome goalie James Gray getting the start against the Huskies, the team needed their "A" game and sure enough they brought it.

The teams traded multiple scoring chances in the first period, however the Huskies broke ground late in the first period. Huskies offensive star Oliver Tarr set up teammate Lucas Stevenson in front of the net, who beat Gray through the five-hole to give the Huskies the early lead. The second period saw some rough moments, but oddly enough no scoring. These two teams have matched up well this season, with most of the games having been decided by one goal in regulation, or decided in overtime, and Tuesday was no exception.

Just over halfway into the third and the Huskies doubled their lead. Some confusion in front of the net, led to Bryce Richardson knocking the puck in during the confusion exhibited by goaltender Grey.



Haliburton County Huskies defenceman Jack Staniland shows his flexibility in shielding the puck from North York Rangers forward Nicholas Cordeiro.

After some protest and anger from the Rangers bench, the game continued. The Rangers weren't going to go down quietly, and with the goalie pulled, they got to work.

Daniel Petreccia backhanded one past Huskies starting goalie Christian Cici-go to get the Rangers on the board, and a few seconds later Isa Parekh silenced the Huskies crowd by getting off a hard shot from the top of the hash to tie the game 2-2. Just like that in less than a minute, the

game was headed to OT. Keeping in mind that the Huskies had one win in five overtime games and conversely the Rangers were a perfect 4-0, fans at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena were nervous, but confident in the Huskies.

The first overtime period solved nothing, so onto the second overtime, where Simon Rose sent the partisan fans home happy. Deking around two defenders, Rose chipped it over Gray's shoulder to set the packed arena into a frenzy to earn

two points for the Huskies.

"We won the draw and Tarr brought the one guy back," said Rose, describing the goal. "The play opened up and I was able to go right through. I knew I was going to try to cut the one defender and when I did he didn't even turn, so I flat-footed the other guy and I had some speed so I chipped it over the goalie's shoulder for the win."

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# Huskies winning ways, elevate playoff push

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The Huskies carried that momentum into Trenton a few days later, where after being down 3-0 at some point they mounted a comeback. Patrick Saini scored his first career OJHL hat-trick and Cameron Kosurko netted the game winner to complete a stunning comeback win for the Huskies. The Huskies seemed unstoppable, and by Saturday would prove they belonged in the conversation for East division champions.

Less than 24 hours after the monster win against the Golden Hawks, the Huskies wanted to fry some fish one last time this season. In front of a standing room only crowd during the beginning of the March break, the Huskies delivered a win in the most dominating fashion.

Richardson got the party started, slamming in a pass from Stevenson. Then Sam Solarino scored a beautiful goal to double the lead, just a few seconds later. At 8:53, Peyton Schaly broke by two defenders on his way to beating Ethan Fraser on a breakaway. Then Patrick Saini would do the same thing, but this time it was while the Huskies were short-handed at 17:38. After the first period, it was already 4-0 and the bleeding wasn't going to stop any time soon.

To start the second, Solarino picked up goal number two around three minutes in. Huskies defenceman Isaac Sooklal then buried an Oliver Tarr pass to net his first of the season, but Lindsay's Duncan Scullion finally got the fish on the board at 9:39. The Huskies' joy lasted around 30 seconds because after Lindsay's goalie, Fraser was pulled in favour of Yacine Chemrouk, Tarr made it 7-1 netting his 27th goal of the season.

The Huskies' Richardson added another goal early in the third period, but the team ran into some penalty trouble. Boyd Stahlbaum was finally able to beat Cicigoi, and for the second time on the powerplay the Huskies would score. However, this time it would be Nate Burelle unassisted. The final score was 8-3, the most amount of goals scored by the Huskies in franchise history.

"I felt I played with more confidence today," Solarino said. "I was in a slump before and it's been hard, but it feels good to finally score today. Cameron, Nick [Athanasakos] and I have been playing really well lately and we've been gaining confidence every single game. We are clicking more and more and I think that will only grow, so it's been really good."

Six different Huskies players scored that night, with Cicigoi making 33 saves to earn his league leading 23rd



Haliburton County Huskies goalie Christian Cicigoi makes a glove save from a shot taken by a North York Rangers player during Ontario Junior Hockey League action on Tuesday, March 8 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. /DARREN LUM Staff

win. The Huskies now move to within one point of the Wellington Dukes and three points back of Trenton (as of Sunday March 14) as the division win put them back in reach of the playoffs after a slump in February.

The Huskies return to the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena

on Friday, March 18 for a back-to-back-to-back, against the Mississauga Chargers, Trenton Golden Hawks and Caledon Admirals. With three games in three days, the Huskies will look for a quick six points, as the next away game is March 23 in Mississauga.

## COVID isn't over, but hope springs eternal at HHSS

DARREN LUM

Editor

Competitive inter-school athletics is making a full return to Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) now that the province announced it will lift many of its mandates to prevent the transmission of COVID-19.

Effective March 21, which is the first day back from the March break, the area high school and all schools in Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) will be open to visitors, including student athletes from other schools.

HHSS principal Chris Boulay said although there has been in-school opportunities for athletics this winter, there has been an improvement in the overall mood at the school since the announcement by the province's lifting of mandates.

"And truly, you know, the vibe at the school, especially with the mandates changing and some of the measures loosening, it certainly allows our students and staff to grow a greater sense of belonging and spirit. And that's really, really important to both the student population and our staff," he said.

He added badminton has already started and plans are underway to prepare for girls' soccer and track and field.

The track and field team will begin its training on Tuesday morning after the break and its coaching staff includes Karen Gervais, Ginny Marsden, Josh Kimble, and Al Hough.

The badminton team has been training since March 1,



with the seniors coming out and then a little more than a week later joined by the juniors. Combined, there has been an average of close to 50 senior and junior players coming out. The coaches are Jason Morissette for the junior team and Bob Smith for the senior team. One scheduled date for a home tournament is on April 4 when the Red Hawks host a Kawartha qualifier. There is another tentative home tournament, but that hasn't been con-

firmed. This year's soccer team's coaching staff includes Courtney Cook and Amy Klose.

On the day of the announcement by the province's chief medical officer of health Dr. Kieran Moore the TLDSB sent a letter addressed to student families that students, staff and visitors will no longer be required to wear a mask when in a TLDSB building as of March 21.

Individuals are welcome to continue to wear a mask.

"We ask that individuals be kind and respectful of the decisions made by others in all areas of personal protection," it reads

It added visitors will be permitted in school buildings and proof of vaccination is no longer required for essential visitors, agencies and other non-staff workers.

Boulay said the mood at the school now is different when compared to the autumn, and even since December. He said teachers are also excited about being able to coach teams, which will compete.

"They're engaged and they're excited to be able to bring their skill sets to allow kids to expand their athletic experiences, and there are outdoor sports, which I think has another layer of comfort when I think of soccer and track field. Badminton is still indoors, but I think our coaches are excited to get back at it. Get our kids competing," he said.

He continued, saying, "We've always had a positive atmosphere in our building, but we anticipate being able to celebrate all of our collective efforts in taking care of one another, but also celebrating how far we've come over the two year span. And, we said, certainly, we'd be able to feel that and hear that and see that in our halls in our classrooms."



Storm strikes Stars

Highland Storm under-11 rep player Hawksley Dobbins rushes the puck during round-robin playoff action against the visiting Newcastle Stars on Wednesday, March 9 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. Despite a three goal deficit after the first, the Storm came back to tie the Stars 3-3, with Brycen Harrison getting the first goal, which was followed by teammates Travis Rowe and Chase Kerr, who scored the equalizer. The next night the Storm beat the Kawartha Coyotes 10-2, with goals from Rowe (six), Tyler Hughes, Chase Kerr (two), and Lyla Degeer. The top-four teams after the five-game round-robin with six teams advance. The team is 2-2-1 through the first five games. /DARREN LUM Staff



Highland Storm under-11 rep player Brycen Harrison celebrates his goal against the visiting Newcastle Stars. The team’s coaching staff includes head coach Mike Hamilton, assistant coach Chris Kerr and trainer is Marcus Rowe.



Highland Storm under-11 rep player Travis Rowe stays focused on his shot while seemingly flying through the air. Left, Highland Storm under-11 rep player Cruise Neave follows through with a shot.



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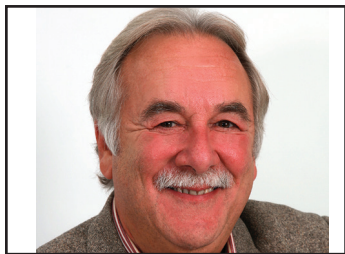
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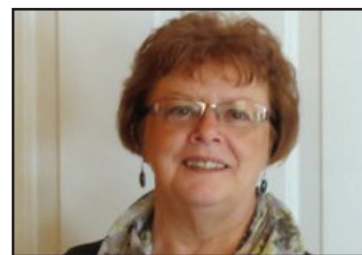
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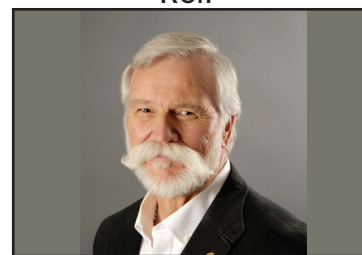
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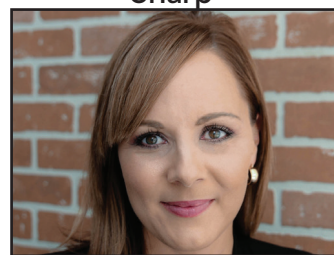
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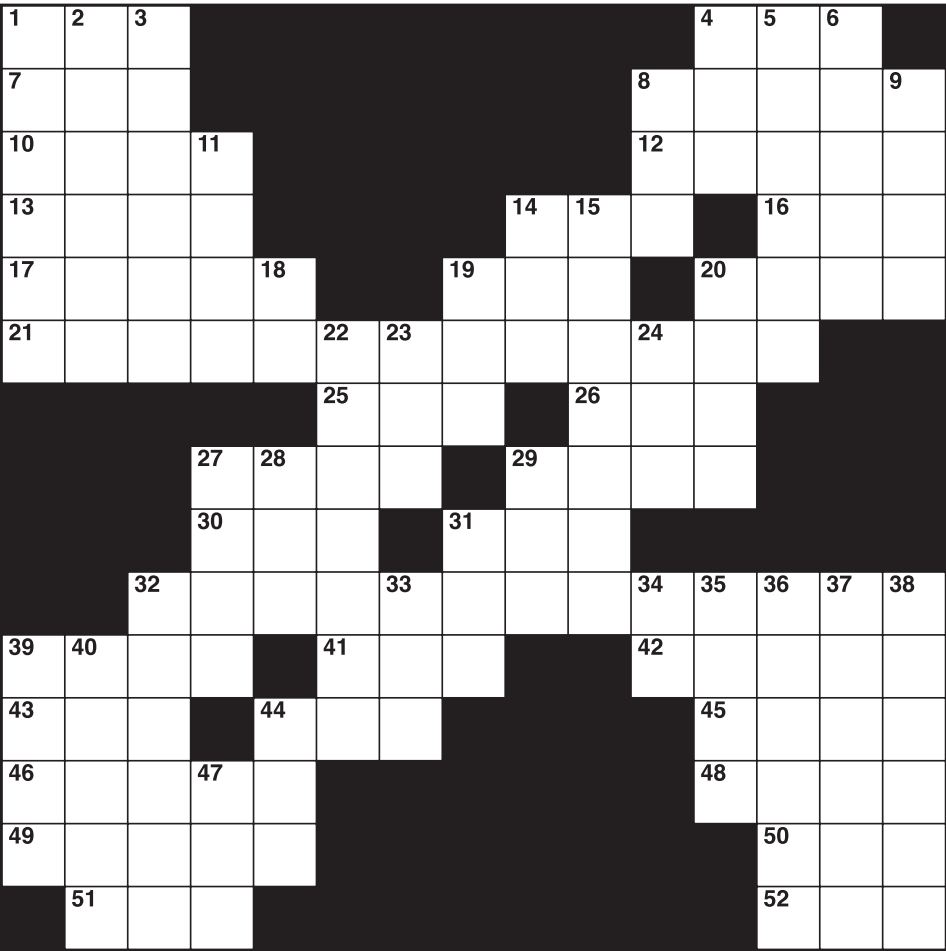
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  - 7. Small, faint constellation
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  - 10. Not excessive
  - 12. African antelope
  - 13. A way to fly a glider
  - 14. Tough softly
  - 16. In the course of
  - 17. Early Mesoamerican people
  - 19. A way to drop down
  - 20. Mistake!
  - 21. Housing developments
  - 25. Baseball stat
  - 26. No (Scottish)
  - 27. Type of cuisine
  - 29. British Army infantrymen (abbr.)
  - 30. Marry
  - 31. Buffer solution
  - 32. Legendary rock band
  - 39. Recording industry show
  - 41. A way to consume
  - 42. Lake in Botswana
  - 43. Political action committee
  - 44. Field force unit (abbr.)
  - 45. Very eager
  - 46. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
  - 48. Nocturnal insect
  - 49. Challenged to perform
  - 50. Thus far
  - 51. Famed NYC arena
  - 52. Commercials
- CLUES DOWN

  - 1. Small, purple-black fruit
  - 2. Baltimore ballplayer
  - 3. Highly seasoned sausage
  - 4. Split pulses
  - 5. Northwestern Mexico town
  - 6. Edible fruit
  - 8. Upper-class southern young woman
  - 9. Sums up
  - 11. The most worthless part
  - 14. Dash
  - 15. Sufferings
  - 18. Clearinghouse (abbr.)
  - 19. Indian title of respect
  - 20. Poems meant to be sung
  - 22. Actor Cooper
  - 23. Luke's mentor \_\_\_-Wan
  - 24. Clumsy person
  - 27. Figures
  - 28. Polish Baltic coast peninsula
  - 29. Old cloth
  - 31. Explosive
  - 32. Automobiles
  - 33. 007's creator
  - 34. The Volunteer State
  - 35. Old Irish alphabet
  - 36. Japanese city
  - 37. Portrayed emotion
  - 38. Observers
  - 39. Mimicked
  - 40. Polite reference to a woman
  - 44. Male parent
  - 47. Peter Griffin's daughter

Answers on page 14

# Women of Song showcase

It is not easy being a woman in the music industry. Continuous research has proven that the music industry still is male dominated. Women are still under-represented in many roles and careers available in the industry as well as in the various genres of music. A study in 2019 revealed 21.7 per cent were artists, 12.3 per cent songwriters; and 2.1 per cent are producers.

The top challenges for women are sexual harassment and objectification, ageism, looks, and sexism, and, most recently, the pandemic. These challenges and the above data should be the reasons why women should push for their place in the music industry. While women performers in the Haliburton Highlands face similar challenges we are blessed with some great female artists including Karen Frybort, Irene Merritt, Jerelyn Craden, Trina West, Laurel McCauley, Jocelyn Regina, Lauren McInnis, Melissa Stephens, Lauren Margison, Jodi Timgren, Kate Hall, Kim Quigley, Linda Love, Bethany Houghton, Sue Shikaze, Cathy Salvatori, Holler, Ro Randall, Shannon Neville, Shout Sisters and all those performing in orchestra and choirs (apologies to anyone missed).

To celebrate women in music, the Haliburton County Folk Society is pleased to present two very talented women with local connections – Cassidy Taylor, who was raised in Haliburton, and Jess Knights who has recently taken up residence after spending many of her summers at a family cottage on Lake Kashagawigamog.

When Cassidy and Jess were asked about challenges and opportunities they have had in their development as a performer they responded with optimism. Cassidy said, “Being a performer the past few years has been tough. Though, I’m finding some excitement in being able to start fresh. During the pandemic, my producer and I were able to create an entirely new live show from the ground up with all new songs. We’re trying a lot of new things and I’m thrilled to be playing a lot of unreleased material at the next show on March 19.”

Jess said, “Being a performer is full of growth and challenges, but I think that’s what keeps my interest. One of the biggest challenges I’ve faced as an artist is crippling self-doubt. It takes a lot to put yourself out there and share your art. Overcoming the little voice that says, ‘Don’t do it. You’re not good enough’ is a constant practice, but this is also where I get my strength to continue. It’s incredibly empowering when I don’t let self-doubt get the best of me and I step out on stage to do what I love. I’m an artist, yes, but at the end of the day, I’m a human being with all the complexities that come with that. I guess the biggest difference is I’ve chosen to be in a career where I air out my dirty laundry, with four chords and a beat.”

Being part of the Haliburton Highlands community is important to Jess and Cassidy. For Jess “it’s been a wonderful experience to be welcomed into the Haliburton community. I’m a long way from “home” but music has been my welcome mat wherever I go. To be welcomed by the local music community has helped ease the transition. I look forward to performing more in the area and getting to know some of the music lovers here.”

Cassidy makes the point that “Haliburton’s local music community was where my passion for music and performing started. Without it, I would never have gotten the opportunities I was given growing up. I feel so lucky to have been able to perform around Haliburton at such a young age. I remember my first performance, outside of school talent shows, was a private party hosted by a good friend of mine and the support I received was overwhelming. This was really encouraging as a young girl to keep pursuing music in my adulthood.”

Come and hear for yourself the heart and soul of these two talented artists. They will be performing as a double-bill at the Women of Song concert on March 19, 7:30 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton. Tickets are available at [www.haliburtonfolk.com](http://www.haliburtonfolk.com).

*Submitted by Barrie Martin*  
*Note: This is the monthly submission from the Haliburton County Folk Society for County Life, but due to publishing timeline is being printed here.*

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## From a Guilford pen

So, life plays its little trick on you.  
It's quiet now.  
You never thought to be quiet.

All those times when children's  
cries Awoke.  
All those times when worry made  
you sick.

Then those nights. You never knew  
what time it was they'd come.  
How long they would be gone.

Hours dragged.  
Your hands the tasks performed,  
Your mind distraught.

But now it's over.  
Distractions gone  
Worries dispersed,  
Children flown.  
You alone

Silence is different,  
Restful now.  
Full of peace.  
Too much of each you think.

Your hands still work,  
but free of stress.  
They do the little things  
They tell you mean so much.

Yes, it's a trick  
With a welcome one.  
That when you wanted peace  
It would not come,  
That when you wanted time  
It would not wait.

Now there is time  
Now there is peace.  
Too much, you think of both.

Reflect: remember what the  
pressure was.  
Recall: the rush, and take the balance  
gratefully,  
For balance out it did.

Recognize that you have earned  
the rest  
Albeit filled with craft more  
slowly done.  
Enjoy it to the full, these less than  
busy days,  
this quiet ways  
in this, life trick of time  
Come see it turn  
Reflect, and laugh at it.

*by Eleanor Cooper*



# Opportunity for martial arts lessons through new business

STEPHEN PETRICK

*Special to the Echo*

Haliburton residents may get a kick out of what Kelly Outram is doing.

The young entrepreneur, who was raised in the Highlands, is trying to foster a martial arts culture in the county. He now offers tai chi and kickboxing classes through his business, K.O. Martial Arts. The programs are ramping up after two years of COVID-related health measures that prevented him from running anything with much consistency.

But with the snow melting, and people waking from a long period in which sports programs were limited, he sees this spring as an opportunity to get people energized and excited about new physical activities.

"Everyone gets bored of regular exercise," Outram said, when asked to explain why martial arts are so special. "When you come out to martial arts, you have people to train with. It's super interactive and it's a tonne of fun, all the time."

Outram offers a drop-in, outdoor tai chi class, every Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. from his location at 2354 South Lake Road in Minden. He describes tai chi as an exercise based on balance and fluid movement. The twisting movements it involves loosens joints and eases muscle tension. As part of the tai chi class, participants are also introduced to Qi Gong, a breathing practice that is intended to build energy and help people feel rejuvenated.

Outram's kickboxing classes are now taking place regularly at the Haliburton Dance Academy at 135 Industrial Park Road in Haliburton on Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

He says when a student works on kickboxing, they're combining karate, kung fu and Muay Thai movements. It's a great workout, because there's so much emphasis on footwork. It's also very active; as one person practices punching or kicking, the other is learning blocking techniques.



Kelly Outram, of K.O. Martial Arts, leads a group during a tai chi class. Submitted photo

niques.

Outram, who by day works as an arborist and runs Minden-based Outram Tree Solutions, who provides service to Haliburton County and area with his brother Jacob, is a life-long fan of the martial arts. After learning karate as a child, he wanted to continue learning about martial arts as an adult and share his love for the various traditional system of self-defence movements, which provide mental and physical benefits and originate in the Far East.

He has high hopes for K.O. Martial Arts as it

evolves. He said he'd like to soon teach jiu-jitsu in the area, but would need to find a bigger space.

He stressed that participants in his classes don't have to be experienced in the martial arts.

"At this point, most of our students are beginners," he said. "I want people to get interested in martial arts, to experience and see what it's like." And if they want to learn more and pursue competitive martial arts, "I'm willing to foster that."

To learn more about K.O. Martial Arts visit, [www.haliburtonmartialarts.com](http://www.haliburtonmartialarts.com)

## INSPECTION

### Inspection of 2022 – 2023 Annual Work Schedule for Bancroft-Minden Forest

The **April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023** Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Bancroft-Minden Forest** is available electronically for public viewing by contacting the **Bancroft Minden Forest Company (BMFC)**, during normal business hours and on the Natural Resources Information Portal at <https://nrp.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/fmp-online> beginning **March 15, 2022** and for the remainder of the one-year duration of the AWS.

#### Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest operations such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year.

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BMFC is responsible for tree planting in the Bancroft-Minden Forest. Please contact the Forest Company listed below for information regarding tree planting job opportunities.

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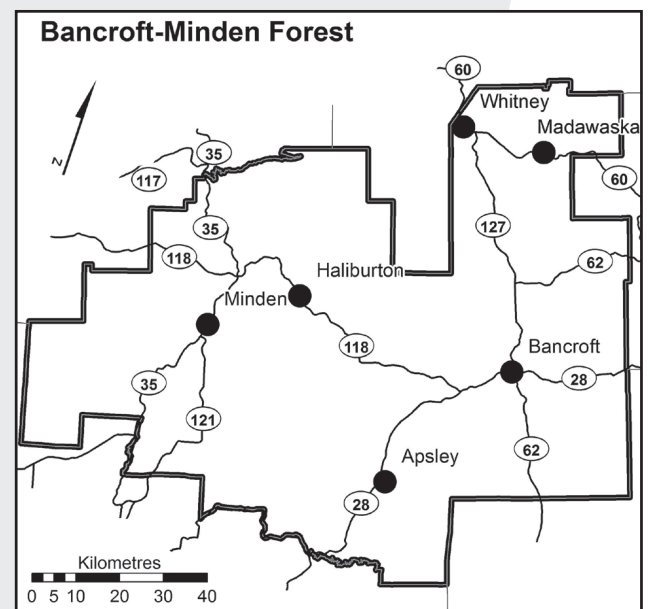
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business brief

# New location, same great medispa service

*B.A.O. Beauty Clinic appreciates the value of community*

B.A.O. Beauty Clinic is a locally owned and medically run medispa located in downtown Haliburton. The clinic is owned by registered nurse, Jenn Emmerson. She started her nursing career working for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services in 2011 before relocating and serving 10 years as an emergency department nurse in other rural communities.

She said “those years of experience have built a sense of community that is irreplaceable. The heart and inspiration behind B.A.O. Beauty clinic is to service our community and surrounding areas; providing safe, high quality medical aesthetic services with state of the art technology and products.”

B.A.O. Beauty Clinic opened in the fall of 2020. It opened its new location in Haliburton this past August of 2021. Since it started, the business has continued to add new services, most recently bringing in gold standard treatments in partnership with InMode. The clinic offers the latest light and laser based technology; including laser hair removal using a Diode Laser, Skin Tightening using Forma radiofrequency, non-surgical skin remodeling and resurfacing using Morpheus 8 and photofacials for pigment lightening using Lumecca. These treatments complement the medical grade skin-care, collagen induction therapies and cosmetic injectables already being offered by the nursing team. B.A.O. is proud to service our community with safe, effective and innovative services. Both Jenn and local RPN Katie Patterson offer complimentary consultations to help answer any questions you may have and provide a customized skin treatment plan.

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*Submitted by Jenn Emmerson*



B.A.O. owner Jenn Emmerson said her medispa offers the latest light and laser-based technology, including laser hair removal using a Diode Laser, Skin Tightening using Forma radiofrequency, non-surgical remodeling and resurfacing using Morpheus 8 and photofacials for pigment lightening using Lumecca. The clinic moved to its new location on Maple Avenue in Haliburton August 2021. /Submitted by Jenn Emmerson

## CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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## Get your bowers in West Guilford

community news  
west guilford

Eleanor Cooper  
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News to me, but perhaps not to the rest of West Guilford. Euchre has resumed at the West Guilford Community Centre again, on Tuesdays at 7 pm. Due to COVID restrictions, no tea or cookies at the end of the game. You can enjoy the comradeship and the game for the princely sum of \$4.

If there is any other Centre activity I've missed, please let me know.

Two Guilford residents on the sick list at the moment, with Ray Campbell at home, and Jim Milne to be in a Toronto hospital for expected heart surgery. We wish them both well.

### Looking Ahead

Let's hope that crocuses prepare themselves below.  
Can tulip and daffodil begin under the ground below?

Perhaps the dreary days are past.  
Perhaps we'll laugh again.  
Perhaps the dark is overcome.  
In joy, relieving pain.

O weather, dark and cloudy  
O gloomy days and drear  
Draw us to outside life at last  
To see, and feel and hear  
Those heralds of the spring approach  
Honking their far-flung cries.

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Blessing us as it turns,  
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Winter perspective

Going on a dogsled tour is one many activities available this winter, which offers a unique experience. For more information about tour options see [www.winterdance.com](http://www.winterdance.com). /DARREN LUM Staff



A group of dogsled participants cross an open area. Winterdance offers a variety of tour options from two hour to overnight. Check with the service providers for specifics and availability, as the season winds down.



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### Qualification:

- Valid driver's license
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- Strong verbal and written communication skills

Job Type: Full-time, Part-time, Fixed term contract  
Contract length: 12 months  
Part-time hours: 22-35 per week  
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Thank you to our care team who lovingly kept Mom in her home until she was ready to move on. In particular, Anne Alden formed a special relationship with Mom and ensured that everyone was able to provide the very best support. To Mom and Dad's many friends who visited and called, to our family, and to the staff at Highland Wood and her doctors, thank you for making Mom's final years fulfilling.

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**Michael Bunn (Mike)**  
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We miss you Mike!  
Forever in our Hearts*

*Love Always  
Mom, Dad and Family*

## 650 OBITUARIES



*In Loving Memory of*  
**David Charles Jones (Dave Jones)**

*Passed away on March 2, 2022, in his 90th year.*

He is survived by his loving and gentle wife of 64 years, Joanne (nee Vine) and four children: Stephen (Janice Black) of Burlington, Stewart (Jackie) of Pompano Beach, Florida, Susan (Steven Wright) of Houston, BC, and Sandra Milligan (Ben Pickering) of Campbell River, BC. He is also survived by nine grandchildren and his sister, Kathleen Langlois of Dundas. Dave was particularly proud of the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren. He was always involved in their lives as much as he could and would travel annually to visit them all.

Dave was a long-time cottager in Haliburton, having owned the cottage with Joanne on Kushog Lake for 62 years. After their retirement Joanne and Dave devoted their summers to the cottage, which became a meeting place for their children and grandchildren.

Dave was a member of St. Peter's Anglican Church in Haliburton, St. David's Anglican Church in Welland, and St. John's Episcopal Church in Ellicottville, New York.

Dave got into marathons in his 50's and participated in the annual Highland Yard run in Minden. Through this run he started fundraising for Places for People in Haliburton, and in recent years raised over \$5,000 each year toward this worthwhile cause. When Dave could no longer run the race he would compete enthusiastically using his walker, last in the race, but a leader of the cause.

Cremation has taken place. A private family funeral service will be held at St. David's Anglican Church in Welland and will be broadcast on their YouTube channel on Friday March 18, 2022, at 2 p.m. and will be available for viewing immediately thereafter. A Celebration of Life will be held Friday June 17, 2022, 2-5 p.m. at Peninsula Lakes Golf Club. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Dave Jones may be made to Places for People Haliburton Highlands Inc. ([www.placesforpeople.ca](http://www.placesforpeople.ca)) or to the Jones Family Endowment Fund of St. David's Anglican Church in Welland.

Online condolences available at [www.cudneyfuneralhome.com](http://www.cudneyfuneralhome.com).

*Those we love  
don't go away  
They walk beside us  
every day.  
Unseen, unheard,  
but always near  
Still loved, still missed  
and very dear.*



**Raymond Lymer**

*(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)*

**Peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Sunday morning, March 6, 2022 in his 86th year.**

Beloved husband of Eleanor Lymer (nee Crumback) for over 60 years. Loving father of John (Laurie), and Bob (Maggie). Fondly remembered by his brother Doug (Sonny), grandchildren Jenny (Stephen) and Beth (Scott), and great-granddaughter Isabelle. Predeceased by his brother Bill (Reva). Also lovingly remembered by his nieces and nephews. Ray worked for General Motors for over 30 years and was retired for over 30 years. He enjoyed bowling, shuffleboard, cars, and spending time in the company of his many friends.

**Remembrance Gathering & Reception**

Friends were invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Thursday morning, March 10, 2022 from 11 a.m. -12 (Noon) for a visit with the family, followed by a reception in The Community Room. As an expression of sympathy, donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario or Highlands Summer Festival would be appreciated by the family.

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*In Loving Memory of*

**Norman Ronald "Ron" Gambell**

*Passed away peacefully at home in Minden with his loving partner by his side on Sunday, March 6, 2022, in his 89th year.*

Beloved husband of Suwan, dear father of Norm, Jim and step-father of May and her husband George, grandpa to Cooper and Amanda. Fondly remembered by his family and friends. Ron was a Master Grand Salesman with General Motors for many years until he moved to Minden where he opened Gambell Motors. He was a member of Minden Council in the 1980's, Warden for Lutterworth Township and sat on County Council. He later opened Gambell Antiques and in 2001 Ron and Suwan opened the famous Suwan's Thai Cuisine.

A Celebration of Ron's Life will be held at Suwan's Thai Cuisine in the fall and the date and time will be announced at a later date.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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Ron Stackhouse star defenceman for the Pittsburgh Penguins had a big night for himself on Saturday night when the Pittsburgh team trounced the defending Stanley Cup Champion Philadelphia Flyers 8-2 in Pittsburgh. Playing before a hometown crowd at Pittsburgh of 13,404 Ron assisted on six of the Penguins eight goals to tie an N.H.L. record for the amount of assists by a player in a single game.

## Bruce Henry elected new ATRO president

At the annual convention of the Association of Tourist Resort Operators held at the Westbury Hotel in Toronto last week Bruce Henry of Halimar Resort on Lake Kashagawigamog was elected president of this province-wide association. He will preside over 19 Directors chosen from over 200 member resorts in Ontario.

Bruce has always been active in our community having served on the School Board, the Chamber of Commerce the Lake Kashagawigamog Tourist Assoc-

iation as well as active participation in the affairs of the Anglican Church of Haliburton.

Bruce and his wife Marion have operated Halimar Resort for 25 years and Bruce has served in every capacity on the Board of A.T.R.O. since becoming a director 20 years ago.

Also elected from the Haliburton area were Dale Anthes of Maple Sands, Director. Eileen Crawford of Hart Lodge, Secretary and Art Ward of Wig-a-Mog Inn, First Vice President.

## Studio Lab Theatre will perform in schools

Haliburton County Libraries in co-operation with the Haliburton County Board of Education will be presenting a performance of "Huckleberry Finn" by Studio Lab Theatre on March 17 at Archie Stouffer Public School at 9:15 am and Haliburton Senior Elementary School at 2 pm. The public is invited and free tickets are available from any public library.

Huckleberry Finn's rebellious attitude towards being washed and dressed is shared by all children, and in this production they can sing out with Huck and express their dislikes.

They can also fantasize about running away from home with our hero. The fact that Huck leaves with Jim, an escaped slave raises the issue of laws as opposed to morality. This is as timely today as it was when Mark Twain wrote of his concern about slavery in the adventure stories of Tom Sawyer and his gang.

All the action takes place in the midst of the warnings and hallelujahs from the

audience.

Until 1970, Studio Lab Theatre was one of the foremost experimental and children's theatres in the city of Toronto. With its exciting productions of *Dionysus in '69*, *The Brothers*, and many others, Studio Lab Theatre was instrumental in introducing audience participation in theatre to Toronto audiences.

In the four years since 1970, Studio Lab has conducted touring activities throughout the province of Ontario. In-residence programmes in communities such as Peterborough and Cochrane, as well as workshop activities for many agencies and organizations throughout Ontario have familiarized many with the techniques developed through its productions.

In addition, Studio Lab had the honour to present *Alladin* in Venice, Italy, for the Biennale Festival, as well as visiting the T.A.F.I. Festival in Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

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## Wins nomination

## Eakins predicts Liberal victory

It took two ballots to make the choice, but when the final vote was tabulated John Eakins was announced the new Liberal candidate for the Victoria-Haliburton riding.

The first vote at last night's nomination meeting at the Academy Theatre was void because none of the three candidates acquired one-half the ballots plus one. Douglas Fisher, the low man in the count, was then disqualified and the 535 voters went onto give Mr Eakins the required majority over the third candidate, Lindsay mayor David Logan.

Mr Eakins is optimistic about the chances of the Liberal party in the anticipated upcoming election.

He said judging by the response he has received and the large turnout at the meeting despite unfavorable weather conditions, "it's the start of a new day for the Liberal party, especially in this riding."

Mr Eakins, who was defeated provincially in 1967 and 1971, remarked he has "never experienced the enthusiasm" now prevailing in the riding even in areas where the Liberals had not received support in other years.

The former Lindsay mayor pointed to the "deep-seated rot of the (Premier William) Davis regime" as the reason for the change of sentiments.

The premier, he said, only knows the riding at election time and "takes us all for granted." The riding has been "too faithful and it's

being used.

"Victoria-Haliburton needs a strong representative voice at Queen's Park," he said. "The (governmental) system must be reviewed and overhauled."

David Logan, who was escorted to the podium by a small but rousing fanfare of placards, drums, horns and marching young people, illustrated a similar strain of thought.

"What is going on in the provincial government today is out and out wrong," he told the meeting.

"I do not have all the answers, but I know we can make a good start if we just start treating people like human beings again and stop thinking of them as part of the Big Blue Machine."

He advocated helping farmers before they go bankrupt by "increasing assistance in the cost of producing, especially on machinery and parts."

He insisted the government should stop studying housing problems in the riding and do something to help the people.

Douglas Fisher, a Lindsay chartered accountant and newcomer to the political scene, said the riding needed a candidate to "unshackle Victoria-Haliburton from a lengthy term of Tory bondage."

"I'm sure (Liberal leader) Bob Nixon will look after Mr Davis in the next election," he said. "It's up to us to look after Victoria-Haliburton."

He said although he had no experience to match the other candidates, his freedom from other political

encounters, could give him the advantage. Also he explained his day to day work offered him contact with local persons and their problems.



John Eakins

## Government must be restored to people: Campbell

"We must restore the government to the people of this province," according to St. George MPP Margaret Campbell.

Speaking at the Victoria-Haliburton Liberal nomination meeting last night, she said local autonomy must take precedence over the centralized decision-making of Queen's Park.

She suggested a review of regional governments at work in the province before more are instigated to "be sure the people run and develop their own community within the development plan at the provincial level."

She also criticized the Conservative government's treatment of farmers.

"It's a disgrace for the province to go more and more into the food importing business," she told the gathering. Not only does it hurt the farmers locally, but the states the government is importing from, are feeling a strain on their ability to export.

She pointed to land banking as another problem.

"Priceless agricultural land is being held fallow while decisions are being made," she said. No houses are put on it and no food is produced.

The pressures of housing must also be eased, she advocated. And the community must be outfitted to handle hospital patients who

no longer need active treatment. However she stressed they should be health problems, not welfare.

She congratulated the Liberal association for its large turn-out at the meeting in "this great Tory

stronghold" (formerly held by the late provincial premier Leslie Frost).

But, she stressed, "we will not win the next election by sitting back and waiting for the plums to fall into our hands."

## Pancake Festival planned

Again this year the Main Street of Haliburton will be the scene of activity on Easter Saturday when the Lake Kashagawigamog Tourist Association will be busy cooking up their famous flapjacks. This energetic group will be hoping for a repeat of the beautiful

spring weather which made last year's festival so successful. There will be stacks of flapjacks and plenty of that famous Highlands Maple Syrup, fresh creamery butter and steaming hot coffee for everyone.

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